## Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

July 10, 2019

The Honorable Donald Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Mr. President:

It is our understanding that the State of Texas, through the Office of the Governor, has made a formal request for a federal disaster declaration as a result of extreme rain and severe flooding, consistent with Title V of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. As you know, Governor Abbott declared a state disaster in Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties on June 27, 2019.

The Governor and local officials have informed us that the losses and property damage in these areas are of a magnitude that is beyond the response capability of the state and local government. We urge you to strongly support this request and provide any and all emergency measures afforded by the approval of a disaster declaration.

We stand ready and willing to assist in any way possible to ensure prompt evaluation of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact our offices with any questions.

Sincerely,

JOHN CORNYN

United States Senator

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